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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Advisory Committee on Foreign Language Publications

The first meeting of this Committee was held at 2:30, 13 April, in the office of AD/OIC, who was the Chairman. Present were: Nordbeck - State, Geogevitch - G-2, Mrs. Walford - ONI, Major Brown - A-2, Lt. Col. Penn - JIG, Messrs. Bagnall, [REDACTED] CIA 25X1A9a

Mr. Reber made introductory statement referring to NSCID-16, and calling attention to internal CIA decision to establish in FDD a Branch of the CIA Library. Discussion ensued on the Final Report of the Working Group on Foreign Language Documents, as presented to the Subcommittee on Requirements and Facilities for Collation of the Economic Intelligence Committee. It was suggested and agreed that this Report should be the first item for discussion by the Advisory Committee and its Subcommittees.

The proposal was made and adopted that instead of two there be three subcommittees established: 1) Procurement or collection, 2) Indexing or cataloging, and 3) Exploitation. It was urged that not only technicians but also end-users be represented on these subcommittees. This was accepted in principle and each Agency will be asked to nominate two representatives to each subcommittee, with privilege of inviting others. Non-CIA representatives on the Advisory Committee urged that CIA chair each of the subcommittees.

The final item on the agenda was a proposal "Foreign Language Reference Materials" (IAC-D-66). It was decided to get expressions on priority from each member of the IAC. Further discussion was tabled until next meeting on 27 April 1953.

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